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Where the Wicked Cease from Troubling

Denis Adams, 9 June 2014

Just recently one of my Facebook friends published the heading for a story that had originally appeared in Irish newspapers then been copied by papers the world over before going viral, as they say on the Internet. Basically it seems that a local historian had claimed that the Bon Secours nuns at Tuam in Ireland had dumped the bodies of 800 babies belonging to unmarried mothers in a septic tank during the 20s and 30s.



THE SITE OF A MASS GRAVE FOR CHILDREN WHO DIED IN THE TUAM MOTHER AND BABY HOME, GALWAY - 06 JUNE 2014.

The Sisters of Bon Secours nuns in charge of Mother and Baby Home in Tuam, Co Galway, where the burial of hundreds of babies in a septic tank mass grave has been uncovered have said they no longer hold the burial records.

Perhaps they did, but the 20s and 30s seem too recent for the story to be believable.

As I read more and more of the blogs and newspaper reports of the nuns alleged evil-doing it seemed to me that the people who made the original accusations didn't want the pit opened; they didn't want the bones or bodies disturbed; they just wanted a memorial commemorating this 'newly discovered church sponsored evil that resulted in the suffering of the innocent' kind of

thing. Sounds very moving but unless there is concrete evidence like skeletons showing proof of foul play or neglect it's just another story, and unfortunately there are still a lot of people who aren't street-wise enough to question every startling thing a stranger tells them, even if it seems to fit their belief system like a glove.

I have recorded a great deal of my family's more recent history, and various relatives have gone back further in various directions with the result that I now I know I have had ancestors in practically every corner of Ireland and the British Isles. By far the most poignant, most significant discovery thus far has been a lonely headstone on the grave of one of my great great grandmothers and her infant son in Ireland.



The text on the headstone reads:

In memory of a tender mother and a dutiful son. I hope his mother is gone to heaven before him where he soon thinks to meet her where the wicked cease from troubling and the weary are at rest.

Words like that could apply to practically everyone who lived in Ireland and many other countries for many years, and it must still apply to countless millions. We can't undo the past or even do much about the present but hopefully we can learn something useful from the past and do something to stop this kind of history repeating itself over and over again.

My maternal grandfather was born nearby and after he, his parents, brothers and sisters migrated to Australia in 1875 the family name ceased to exist in that part of Ireland because all Grandfather's other relatives had already left years earlier for the US, Canada and Queensland.

If **my** grandfather knew exactly what the sad words on Susan and Richard's headstone meant, or what happened to **his** grandfather, he never spoke of it, but he lived to become a mighty man in both physical and intellectual strength, as well as property. He had the traditional Irish gift of the gab so naturally he dominated many local committees and dabbled in politics. Taught me a lot too!

Often the child-like belief so many people have in the existence of tunnels built, say for Cornish smugglers or the erotic evil-doing of priests, nuns, monks, and so on makes me despair. Why people have told me that one old mansion I prowled interestedly through as a boy had a smugglers tunnel from the cellars to the coast! The coast must have been 10 kilometres away – and what did they smuggle? Was it bales of bullswool? Surely not – surely every country in the world is overflowing with that?

While the old convent at Naracoorte was being demolished a lot more recently a lady told my wife that as a girl her mother had seen a tunnel entrance in one of the cellars. That seemed remotely possible. In the days when people took religious differences more seriously it might not have been advisable or decorous for nuns to walk alone at night from one building to another, but after the convent walls had all gone no one said anything about cellars or finding a tunnel in one!

Surely there are enough exciting events in people's lives without imagining dungeons and dragons in a country like Australia! As a boy at Balaklava High School I played a leading role in the feud some of us had with the convent girls who boarded across the road from us, so perhaps in years to come someone will find my story and

use it as an example of bullying or religious intolerance if it suits their purpose?

What actually happened was that for months, years maybe, we high school boys had outnumbered the girls and been in the habit of looking longingly across at the hordes of convent girls 'just going to waste'! -

Yeah – that's a bit sexist – but I have to maintain my credentials as an ignorant old bushie.

The girls all seemed prettier and friendlier than **our** girls, and one fine day while we boys in Mr. Reschke's Senior Agriculture Class were going through the motions of hoeing the orchard unsupervised, just across the road in an equally unsupervised state the convent girls were going through the motions of weeding the convent shrubbery. After awhile each group began darting surreptitious looks at the other until finally my quick witted mate Barrie called out, "Put your backs into it you girls!"

The girls' reply came in the form of a bombardment of iron hard clods, many of which hit us and burst on impact. Being boarders probably meant they were farm girls accustomed to yarding the cows or chasing chooks out of the vegie garden with a few well aimed missiles. Thanks to Mr. Reschke's passion for a fine tilth we had no clods of our own to throw back. The very few Catholic clods that missed us sometimes failed to explode when they hit Mr. Reschke's fine tilth so after awhile we were able to make a token resistance, but wouldn't you know it... as soon as we fired back the girls all squealed and fled; more I think because they had seen a sister approaching than because of our marksmanship. In any case they would have known we meant to miss them just as we knew they had meant to hit us.

The result was that the Mother Superior in full antiquated regalia came marching indignantly across to complain to our headmaster. Whether she really believed her charges to be the shining examples of Catholic girlhood they pretended to be, or whether it was just a matter of form, I can't say. What I *do* suspect is that the tirade Basher Forbes unleashed on us was just a trifle forced! I suspect that in the privacy of his office he and the Mother Superior had laughingly agreed that boys *would be* boys and girls *would be* girls but some of the Catholic parents might regard us as savages so obviously we boys had to

be reprimanded, if not punished, but that was not the end of our exhilarating little feud.....

Perhaps horrors like the Tuam story really *did* happen in the dark ages, perhaps they really did in many countries much more recently, perhaps they still do? The media certainly makes it sound that way, and although at present Australia seems like the best place in the world many of us feel threatened, but Les Murray, our very own bush poet puts it better than I can. Les said:

They are creating an Australia that is exclusive. Multicultural they call it. But they discriminatory, they exclude. 'They' are not just the Australia Council; they are the ruling elite of today's Australia: the cultural bureaucrats, the academics, the intellectuals..... excluding people like me from their Australia the country people, the red-necks, the Anglo Celts, the farming people - they have turned their backs on us. They act as though they despise us.... We old Australians, not always Anglo but having no other country but this one, are mostly caught between the indigenous and the multicultural.

Yeah – spot on Les - they talk as if we people of pioneer descent are a mob of savages.

And how you ask, did the schoolboy/convent girl feud end that I was involved in at Balaklava in 1950?

Well the *Intermediate* and *Leaving* boys were all either too involved – so they claimed – with their studies to continue it, or simply didn't live or board in town as Barrie and I did. So we were given some coaching in the tactics of guerrilla warfare and told it was up to us to maintain the school honour in some way.

Normally the lady where Barrie boarded kept too tight a rein on him for him to sneak out at night but Mrs Gardiner was a lovely trusting lady who thought she could see a positive halo shimmering around my head, so I had opportunities galore to play tricks on the convent girls. What fun it was to listen to their half suppressed giggles and chatter as they wondered aloud if those cocky town boys would chuck a stone on the roof of their sleep-out that particular night! What fun it was to hear their delighted squeals and unsuccessful attempts to not laugh too loudly as I fled after each raid, but alas, Barrie and I didn't always co-ordinate our guerrilla strategies very well.

One night his landlady went out unexpectedly so he took the chance to sneak out and lob a stone

on the roof of the convent sleep-out totally unaware that I had planned to do likewise an hour or so later!

I forget whether I launched my missile; I forget whether or not the girls were tittering excitedly; all I remember with terrifying clarity is the form of a burly policeman materializing from the darkness! I remember almost as vividly that my legs had turned to jelly. You could easily get expelled from school or find yourself in a reformatory in those days; the former almost as painful and shameful as the latter, so I was playing for high stakes!

One advantage the temporary weakness in my legs gave me was to prevent a panic stricken flight in the opposite direction to the approaching copper. That would have taken me under a street light where he would almost certainly have seen enough of me to recognise me, either then or later on.

Another advantage I had was that throughout my primary school days I had put far more enthusiasm into playing soldiers, usually commandoes on lone missions, than I had into lessons, so what I had learnt in play served me well in my predicament. The convent had a lovely thick, half wild, hedge growing along its southern fence so I backed as far into that as I could, and as the copper went by I smelt soap or after-shave and felt his sleeve brush my cheek, but either he didn't notice me, or didn't want to - or need to perhaps?

My little adventure had certainly enlivened my brain or my conscience because next morning when the 'phone rang in the passage just through the wall from my bedroom I was more than wide awake in an instant.

Mr Gardiner was a drover who moved stock short distances, so early morning 'phone calls were so regular I normally slept through them and the ensuing conversations, but this time I was as bright as a button and took in every word Mrs Gardiner was saying. She was an honest, down to earth lady who could not have lied to save her own neck, much less mine, so naturally she described my appearance with total accuracy before assuring her caller that as far as she knew I hadn't left the house that night, and that I was a very quiet thoughtful boy who was most unlikely to act like a larrikin.

She did not say that shut in their sitting room by the fire of a cold winter night with the radio playing she would probably not have heard a car crash outside, let alone a boy tip-toeing down the passage. Whether she didn't think to, or whether she deliberately chose to keep quiet about it I can't say, but she *could* scowl alarmingly and sound as authoritarian as any police officer, so even though I knew what to expect how I survived the grilling she gave me I can't say. All I know is that she was a lovely motherly lady, and the scare I got that night cured me of larrikinism, though I must admit that I look back on that successful bit of lawlessness with some pride.

It would nicely round off my story if I could say I married one of those giggly convent girls and we lived happily ever after. Well to a degree I achieved that result. It's been 58 happy years ago now since I really did meet the girl of my dreams, and she *did* have something of a Catholic background, but remember Walter Scott's stirring action poem *Lochinvar*? "He rode all unarm'd, and he rode all alone," blah blah blah...

We both had to do something like that to be together for life, and it was well worth the struggle, but like they say in the old books, that's another story!



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The old convent at Naracoorte, South Australia.

JAPAN 1941: AGGRESSOR OR VICTIM?



Hitler and Japanese Foreign Minister

The Setting:

Globalist agents FDR and Churchill want desperately to drag the United States into World War II. Knowing that American entry into the war would endanger Germany's war efforts, Hitler ignores repeated U.S. provocations of Germany. To further discourage U.S. entry into the war, Germany, Italy, and Japan sign on to a mutual <u>defense</u> pact in September of 1940- The TriPartite Pact. War against one means war with all three.

Ironically, the TriPartite Pact will have the unintended effect of facilitating FDR's treasonous scheme to embroil the U.S. into the conflict. As a "backdoor" to the European conflict (which

Japanese poster celebrates the TriPartite

Germany was winning) FDR and Churchill intensify their instigation of Japan. When the aggressive moves become too much for Japan to bear (oil embargo, closure of Panama Canal to Japanese shipping, U.S. battleships cruising through Japanese waters etc.) Japan decides the make the first move, by attacking Pearl Harbor (the U.S. naval base in the territory of Hawaii) on December 7, 1941exactly as FDR had intended!

In the ensuing days, war declarations between the TriPartite allies, and the US/UK alliance were exchanged



Emperor Hirohito

TEXT OF HIROHITO'S WAR DECLARATION

By the grace of heaven, Emperor of Japan, seated on the throne occupied by the same dynasty from time immemorial, enjoin upon ye, our loyal and brave subjects:

We hereby declare war upon the United States of America and the British Empire. The men and officers of our Army and Navy shall do their utmost in prosecuting the war. Our public servants of various departments shall perform faithfully and diligently their respective duties; the entire nation with a united will shall mobilize their total strength so that nothing will miscarry in the attainment of our war aims.

To ensure the stability of East Asia, and to contribute to world peace is the farsighted policy which was formulated by our great illustrious Imperial Grandsire and our Great Imperial Sire succeeding him and which we lay constantly to heart. To cultivate friendship among nations and to enjoy prosperity in common with all nations, has always been the guiding principle of our Empire's foreign policy.

It has truly been unavoidable and far from our wishes that our Empire has been brought to cross swords with America and Britain.

More than four years have passed since China, failing to comprehend the true intentions of our Empire, and recklessly courting trouble, disturbed the peace of East Asia and compelled our Empire to take up arms. Although there has been reestablished the National Government of China, with which Japan had effected neighborly intercourse and cooperation, the regime which has survived in Chungking, relying upon American and British protection, still continues its fratricidal opposition.

Eager for the realization of their inordinate ambition to dominate the Orient, both America and Britain, giving support to the Chungking regime, have aggravated the disturbances in East Asia.

Moreover these two powers, inducing other countries to follow suit, increased military preparations on all sides of our Empire to challenge us. They have obstructed by every means our peaceful commerce and finally resorted to a direct severance of economic relations, menacing greatly the existence of our Empire.

Patiently have we waited and long have we endured, in the hope that our Government might retrieve the situation in peace. But our adversaries, showing not the least spirit of conciliation, have unduly delayed a settlement; and in the meantime they have intensified the economic and political pressure to compel our Empire to submission.

This trend of affairs, would, if left unchecked, not only nullify our Empire's efforts of many years for the sake of the stabilization of East Asia, but also endanger the very existence of our nation. The situation being such as it is, our Empire, for its existence and self defense has no other recourse but to appeal to arms and to crush every obstacle in its path.

The hallowed spirits of our Imperial Ancestors, guarding us from above, we rely upon the loyalty and courage of our subjects in the confident expectation that the task bequeathed by our forefathers will be carried forward, and that the sources of evil will be speedily eradicated, and an enduring peace be established in East Asia, preserving thereby the glory of our Empire."

December 8, 1941



STIMSON'S CONFESSION!

"We face the delicate question of the diplomatic fencing to be done so as to be sure Japan is put into the wrong and makes the first bad move. ... The question was how we should maneuver them into the position of firing the first shot."

"When the news first came that Japan had attacked us my first feeling was of relief that ... a crisis had come in a way which would unite all our people. This continued to be my dominant feeling in spite of the news of catastrophes which quickly developed."

From the diary of Henry Stimson, FDR's Secretary of War

Secretary Henry Stimson
The press made it seem like Japan attacked for no reason!



The average Joe had no idea of FDR's treason! http://www.tomatobubble.com/hirohito war declaration.html

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SS songs and antisemitism: the week Golden Dawn turned openly Nazi
Supporters of the far-right party gave Hitler salutes and sang the Horst Wessel song outside
parliament last week. Helena Smith reports from Athens on how Golden Dawn has taken on a sinister
new tone – Sunday 8 June 2014 06.14 AEST

It has been a bad week for democracy in Athens. All around this great Greek city, the politics of hate now lurk. On Friday I got a taste of it in the tiny Italian-style cafe I frequent off Syntagma Square.

It arrived in the form of two middle-aged men, both supporters of the neo-fascist Golden Dawn – and, by their own account, the holders of university degrees, well-travelled and well-informed. Over espressos, they began to engage in an animated discussion about all that is wrong with <u>Greece</u>.

The first, a self-described businessman decked out in designer suit, brogues and silk tie, blamed the country's economic collapse on malfeasance, corruption and uncontrolled immigration. "The only way to teach our filthy politicians is to bring in Golden Dawn," he trilled, his eyes locked in a fierce glare. "These gentlemen are patriots, proud Greek nationalists, and they know how to deal with the scum, the foreigners who never pay taxes, who steal our jobs, who have taken over our streets."



Golden Dawn supporters wave party and Greek national flags during a rally outside parliament on 4 June. Photograph: REX/LOSMI CHOBI

Dismissing charges that Golden Dawn is a criminal gang masquerading as a political group, the second – a self-described government employee – said the far right was the best response yet to the great Jewish conspiracy of an interconnected banking system that has come with globalisation. "Let's not forget all the faggots and the Jews, the wankers who control the banks, the foreigners who are behind them, who came in and fucked Greece," he insisted. "The criminals who have governed us, who have robbed us of our future, of our dreams, need a big thwack."

Last Wednesday Greece got that jolt when Nikos Michaloliakos, Golden Dawn's imprisoned leader – who stands accused of murder and assault – made his first public appearance in almost nine months. The politics of hate took over Athens as the 58-year-old was hauled before parliament, ahead of a vote to lift his immunity from prosecution, on further charges of illegal weapons possession.

Emboldened by its recent success in European and local elections – in which the party emerged as the country's third biggest political force, thanks to a softening of image that has attracted ever-growing numbers of the middle class – the extremists drove home the message that they were not only on the rebound but here to stay. And as they ran roughshod through the house of democracy, hurling abuse at other MPs in an unprecedented display of violence and vulgarity, there was no mistaking what Golden Dawn is: a party of neo-Nazi creed determined to overturn the democratic order. For, far from being contrite, the handcuffed Michaloliakos was in unusually aggressive mood, giving Nazi salutes, telling the house speaker to "shut up", and instructing guards to take their hands off him.

Outside, black-shirted Golden Dawn supporters, lined up in military formation in Syntagma Square, gave a hearty rendition of the Nazi Horst Wessel song – albeit with Greek lyrics. All this was a far cry from the party's recent efforts to distance itself from the thuggery and racist rhetoric from which it was born.

"That day democracy felt a bit weak," said Pavlos Tzimas, a political commentator who has watched the party's rise from its fringe group beginnings in the early 1980s. He has watched it grow from marginal group to mainstream party over the past three decades. "After all the revelations [about criminal activity], after all the prosecutions against its MPs, it still has the nerve to act in such a way, in scenes of hate that, frankly, I cannot recall ever being seen inside the parliament," he sighed. "Golden Dawn is not a passing phase, it will not disappear with the end of the crisis, it feels untouchable, it fears nothing, and what we saw this week is its real face. It is not like other extremist parties in **Europe**. It is a true neo-Nazi force whose aim is to use democracy to destroy democracy." The crackdown against Golden Dawn - triggered by the killing of an anti-fascist rapper at the hands of a self-confessed party cadre last September – was meant not only to bring offenders to justice but reverse the group's seemingly unstoppable ascent. At first the round-up of party leaders seemed to dent the ultranationalists' popularity. For the first time since June 2012, when it was catapulted into parliament with 6.9% of the vote and 18 deputies, its ratings dipped. But in an alarming display of rehabilitation, the neo-fascists won 9.4% of the vote in the European elections on 25 May and, in the race for the Athens mayoralty on 18 May, were backed by 16.1% of the electorate even though its candidate, Ilias Kasidiaris, sports a swastika tattoo and assaulted two leftwing female politicians during a live TV show. In both cases the results were the most shocking endorsement yet of the anti-liberal party.

What worries Tzimas most is not just the coarsening of public debate but the "banalisation of violence" that is now stalking Greece. "We seem to be getting used to it, and that frightens me," he said.

In an explosive political climate, where popular rage is at boiling point nearly five years into the country's worst crisis in living memory, the politics of hate so embodied by Golden Dawn is becoming increasingly pervasive. "Who cares if six million Jews were exterminated?" asked the businessman back at the cafe, in a shocking endorsement of that reality. "I don't care if they were turned into soap. What I care about is the salary I have lost, the never-ending taxes I am forced to pay, the criminals who rule this country, the anger I carry inside." In a global survey released by the Anti-Defamation Leaque last month, Greece at 69% was found to be the most antisemitic country in Europe.

"This is the deeper explanation for the growth of Golden Dawn," says Dimitris Psarras, author of *The Black Bible of Golden Dawn*, which chronicles the party's meteoric rise. "Greece has deep cultural differences with the rest of Europe. After the second world war, it did not undergo real democratisation because we had civil war [1946-49]. And after that the deep state was never really purged [of extreme rightwing elements]. Even when it was a small group, Golden Dawn had ties to the Greek state."

The party's fielding of two retired generals on its European election ticket was testimony to those ties. With three Golden Dawn MEPs now about to take seats in Brussels, the burning question for many is how to confront the extremists. Following the poll, even France's Front National leader, Marine Le Pen, ruled out relations with them.

The independent MP and prominent novelist Petros Tatsopoulos, himself the focus of much of the fascists' fury in parliament last week, thinks there is no other way but to ban Golden Dawn. "It was a huge, historic mistake on the part of our parliament not to de-legitimise Golden Dawn," said Tatsopoulos, until recently an MP with the radical left. "It should have been banned, not for its Nazi ideology but because it is a paramilitary force ... who, if it could, would press ahead with a coup d'état," he told the *Observer*. "We know how these people work. The fascist poison that Greece is experiencing is not just political, it is poisoning every aspect of social life, the way people think, the way they behave. I honestly believe that the 500,000 Greeks who voted for Golden Dawn were very conscious of what they were doing."

Was democracy in its own birthplace now under threat? "Golden Dawn is on stand-by," he averred. "I don't know how long it will take, but if this voluntary blindness continues, if the

crisis goes on, it will be a real threat to democracy in the near future."

http://www.thequardian.com/world/2014/jun/07/greece-golden-dawnfascismthreattodemocracy

Publisher Simon Sheppard arrested, his house searched, computers seized

From: Jean Norton <u>celine.norton67@gmail.com</u> Sent: Sunday, 8 June 2014 4:55 PM

At 8 am on Thursday June 5 revisionist publisher Simon Sheppard, of North Yorkshire, was woken up by a group of police threatening to break down the door of his house unless he opened it immediately, even refusing his request to be allowed to put on some clothes first. Once inside, they arrested him on "suspicion of distributing racially inflammatory material, under section 19 of the Public Order Act 1986", allowed him to dress, handcuffed him and took him away. Soon afterwards a search team arrived on the premises to prowl through his materials, confiscating two computers and some books - he does not know which.

"... it seems that some sourpuss at the Post Office opened an outgoing package, saw something about Anne Frank, deemed it 'anti Semitic' and reported it to the police. This was enough for the

Sheppard's friend Paul Ballard explains:

special 'anti racist' task forces to spring into action."

Suspect Sheppard was detained until 1 pm, then bailed for three months, during which time he may or may not be charged with having committed an as yet unspecified act.

His activity as a revisionist publisher is well known to the authorities: in 2008 he was tried and convicted for distribution of "racist" tracts and imprisoned for three years. But he is unbowed, having no intention of giving up his life's work merely because the arbitrary ruling power disapproves of it.

Today the offence of "distributing racially inflammatory material" carries a sentence of up to seven years. So much for freedom of expression in merry old England. Simon Sheppard's catalogue, *The Heretical Press*, is at http://www.heretical.com/pubs/index.html

Palestinian lecturer who led Auschwitz trip quits after backlash American Studies professor Mohammed Dajani says he expected university to show support for him by rejecting resignation By <u>Yifa Yaakov</u> June 8, 2014, 10:15 am. Yifa Yaakov is a breaking news editor at The Times of Israel.

A Palestinian university lecturer who led a delegation of Palestinian to the Auschwitz concentration camp has resigned, reportedly following weeks of pressure and threats.



Portrait of Mohammed Daoudi, a former Fatah founder and prominent Palestinian academic. (photo credit: Yossi Zamir/Flash90)

Al-Quds University professor Mohammed Dajani had served as head of the university's Department of American Studies and the director of its brand-new library.

But on May 18, less than two months after the Auschwitz trip, Dajani resigned, telling Israeli daily Haaretz that he believed he had "no choice" but to do so after the university gave in to "incitement" against him by fellow faculty members by refusing to support him publicly and expelling him from the staff union, to which he said he never belonged.

In March, Dajani led a delegation of 30 Palestinian students to Auschwitz-Birkenau, in what was said to be the first organized visit by Palestinian students to a concentration camp. The delegation, which also spend several days in Krakow, was guided by two Jewish Holocaust survivors.

Dajani was praised in Israel and the West for taking the trip to the former Nazi death camp in Poland, but was condemned by Palestinians, who called him a traitor.

One article about the trip, in the Palestinian newspaper al-Quds, was removed from the paper's website after online comments got out of hand, according to the Washington Post. The academic, a former Fatah fighter who was banned from Israel for 25 years, said the university had distanced itself from his decision to lead the student delegation to Poland, saying he had acted "in a personal capacity" while "on leave." According to Israeli daily Haaretz, Dajani had hoped the university would reject his resignation, sending a "clear and loud message" to students, faculty, and "the Palestinian community" that "the university supports academic freedom and considers my trip as an educational journey in search of knowledge." However, he was soon informed that the university had accepted his resignation, and that would in fact take effect on June 1.

"Some may consider my letter of resignation from Al-Quds University as a kind of 'surrender' to those opposed to academic freedom and freedom of action and of expression. I don't," Dajani told Haaretz. "In submitting my resignation, I feel I took the battle to a higher level. My letter of resignation from Al-Quds University was a kind of litmus test to see whether the university administration supports academic freedom and freedom of action and of expression as they claim or not."

Dajani added that while he had received backing from the university's outgoing president, Sari Nusseibeh — who may have resigned over a Hamas rally that rocked the university's campus in March — and its incoming president, Imad Abu Kishek, their reassurances did not translate into public support.

Instead, he said, the smear campaign against him, followed by the university's acceptance of his resignation, exposed "the double-talk" within Palestinian society with regard to freedom of speech and academic freedom.



Palestinian academic Mohammed Dajani in 2012. (photo credit: Yossi Zamir/Flash90)

"Professor Nusseibeh expressed his view that in submitting my resignation, I would seem as if I am quitting the academic freedom battle," Dajani reportedly said. "However, I expressed my view that the university administration should reject the resignation first in order to send a clear and emphatic message to the university community it supports academic freedom and that I broke no university rules, regulations, or policies."

"By accepting my resignation, their message was loud and clear – 'there is no place for Dajani's ideas on our campus," he said.

The student trip to Auschwitz came as part of a joint program on Reconciliation and Conflict Resolution with two other universities: Germany's Friedrich Schiller University and Israel's Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

While the Palestinian cohort visited a Nazi concentration camp, the Israeli cohort visited a Palestinian refugee camp south of Bethlehem. In the Palestinian academic community, the unprecedented visit was seen as a collaboration with an Israeli university and harshly criticized. But until his resignation was accepted, Dajani remained unfazed in his determination to justify the trip.

"One of my students asked me why we should learn about the Holocaust when the Israelis want to ban even the use of the word 'Nakba," he said. "My response was: 'Because in doing so, you will be doing the right thing. If they are not doing the right thing, that's their problem."

Three years ago, in May 2011, Dajani co-wrote an op-ed in The New York Times along with Jewish-American historian Robert Satloff titled "Why Palestinians Should Learn About the Holocaust." In it, he wrote that it was "essential" for Palestinian students to study the genocide so that they would be "armed with knowledge to reject the comparison" between the Holocaust and the Nakba because "if it were broadly avoided, peace would be even more attainable than it is today."

Teaching Palestinians about the Holocaust, he said, would go a long way towards restoring the right of Arab societies to gain uncensored knowledge of history — and enable them to learn from the past.

"If Arabs knew more about the Holocaust in particular and genocide in general, perhaps Arab voices would be more forceful in trying to stop similar atrocities," he wrote, adding that learning about the Holocaust could also make young Palestinians more hopeful and determined to pursue peace.

"Teaching the Holocaust to Palestinians is a way to ensure they do not go down the blind alley of believing their peace process with Israel is as hopeless as one would have been between Nazis and Jews. Discussion of the Holocaust would underscore the idea that peace is attainable."

http://www.timesofisrael.com/palestinian-lecturer-who-led-auschwitz-trip-quits-after-backlash/

Holocaust denier's invitation to concentration camp memorial nixed after media exposé By BENJAMIN WEINTHAL

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German journalist Christoph Hörstel, a zealous supporter of Iran's regime and Hezbollah and an alleged Holocaust denier, was invited to event at former site of Sachsenhausen.



Christoph Hörstel. Photo: Wikimedia Commons

German journalist Christoph Hörstel, a zealous supporter of Iran's regime and Hezbollah and an alleged denier of the Holocaust, was invited to an event at the former Sachsenhausen concentration camp to commemorate the July 20, 1944, attempt to assassinate Hitler by German officers. German author Tilman Tarach reported on Friday about the slated event on the website of the Berlin-based Jungle World weekly, causing organizers of the Sachsenhausen memorial to cancel Hörstel's appearance the same day.

The planned participation of Hörstel showed that Germany's remembrance culture had "gone to the dogs," Tarach said. Organizers turned victims into perpetrators with the "planned event of a Holocaust- denier or relativist," he wrote.

According to an email from Sachsenhausen on Tarach, Hörstel's appearance was planned as a side event and was not intended as participation in the July 20 commemoration.

According to the Sachsenhausen website, the event was a tour covering those imprisoned after the assassination attempt.

A number of the participants in the 1944 attack on Hitler were incarcerated at Sachsenhausen.

More than 200,000 people were imprisoned in the Sachsenhausen concentration camp between 1936 and 1945, which is located just north of Berlin, in Brandenburg state.

Hörstel was slated to accompany author Astrid Ley during the event on an educational tour. It is unclear whether Ley knew of Hörstel's background.

Tarach recounted an example of Hörstel's playing down, or possibly denying, the Holocaust, on his Facebook page.

When someone asked about revising the Holocaust, Hörstel replied, "All in good time."

Hörstel has said that Germany "has in no way responsibility for the security of Israel or for its right to exist." He has spoken at the annual Al-Quds Day March in Berlin, which attracts more than 1,000 supporters of Hezbollah and Iran, and calls for the elimination of Israel.

He caused embarrassment to Chancellor Angela Merkel's office when a senior German official invited him to a meeting at the Chancellery on January 29, with four Natorei Karta extremists. Hörstel (who is not Jewish) wrote an article about the meeting with Merkel's government in the socialist daily Neues Deutschland titled, "We Jews should not establish a state." Merkel's office said the invitation was a mistake as the senior official did not know the background of Natorei Karta. Neues Deutschland later deleted Hörstel's article from its website.

German-Jewish commentator and satirical polemicist Henryk M. Broder sarcastically wrote on The Axis of Good website that Germany's remembrance culture is functioning "super." He recalled a comment from the late writer Eike Geisel who said that Germany's remembrance culture represents "the highest form of forget ting."

Sachsenhausen's invitation to Hörstel together with his appearance at the Chancellery and Ley's alleged ignorance of Hörstel's writings and activities are proof positive that Geisel was right, Broder said.

"The memory of the crimes of the Nazis in the meantime serves to prepare as propaganda for the next final solution of the Jews in the Middle East," Broder wrote in connection with the Sachsenhausen controversy.

The row is a reminder of other recent controversies.

The Dachau concentration camp memorial faced criticism in February from Bloomberg columnist Jeffery Goldberg as he noted that the memorial's bookstore sells biographies of Philip Roth and Woody Allen, labeling it "ridiculousness."

Israeli-born author Tuvia Tenenbom called for the dismissal of Dr. Volkhard Knigge, the head of the Buchenwald concentration camp memorial, after alleging that Knigge told him that Jews should have settled in Uganda instead of establishing the State of Israel. Daniel Gaede, an educator at Buchenwald, faced criticism from Tenenbom for his participation in anti-Israel and pro-Palestinian activities.

"This man [Gaede] spends his free time demonstrating against Israel and in support of Gaza's Palestinians," Tenenbom wrote. Knigge wrote to The Jerusalem Post at the time that "Mr. Tenenbom reproduces the conversations he held with me and the head of the memorial education department in distorted form. I never at any time said that Jews should have been settled in Uganda."

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German parliament extends pensions for Jews who worked in Nazi ghettos

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BERLIN (JTA) — The German Bundestag unanimously passed legislation approving back payments of so-called ghetto pensions for Jewish survivors.

The law, reflecting years of negotiations, was approved by the Federal Cabinet in April and sent to the Bundestag. It requires retroactive payments of a few hundred euros per month going as far back as July 1, 1997. Reportedly, about 50,000 people are eligible today for these pensions, about 13,000 of them in Israel.

Survivors forced to work in Nazi ghettos had to wait until 2002 for any kind of pension at all. Once these were granted, applicants could claim only a maximum of four years in back payments from the time of filing. The aim of the new

legislation was to find a more just compensation for both slave laborers and those who were paid at the time.

In a statement <u>issued</u> in April, Federal Minister of Social Affairs Andrea Nahles said Germany wanted to act quickly out of "a sense of historical responsibility for Holocaust survivors, who experienced untold suffering under National Socialism." Applicants will receive retroactive payments back to 1997: "And quickly, with no red tape," Nahles said at the time.

German pension funds must now contact all known eligible survivors about the change in the law, if possible in their native language.

http://www.jta.org/2014/06/06/newsopinion/world/german-parliament-extends-pensions-for-jews-who-worked-in-nazi-ghettos#ixzz3420eXAIB

Northwestern U. exhibit draws on Birobidzhan propaganda

The folio of Jewish artists' works that helped promote the controversial Russian Jewish homeland is on view till June 22

By Menachem Wecker June 8, 2014, 4:23 pm 1



CHICAGO — A 1931 Russian lithograph poster shows a man wearing a hat pointing his finger in a manner reminiscent of the Uncle Sam "We want you!" genre. But in this case he implores the reader to spend 50 kopecks on a lottery ticket "to build a socialist Birobidzhan, the future Jewish Autonomous Region." Another lithograph poster from 1930, which was also hawking lottery tickets to benefit Birobidzhan, appeals, "Let us give millions to settle poor Jews on the land and to attract them to industry."

Founded in 1928 along the Trans-Siberian Railroad, Birobidzhan (also spelled Birobidžan) was designated as a "Jewish Autonomous Region" (J.A.R.) in 1930. Subsequently,

international ad campaigns soliciting both domestic and foreign funding went into full force.

In 1928, about 525 Jews moved to Birobidzhan, and six years later, the number of immigrants who arrived reached 5,250, according to the *YIVO Encyclopedia of Jews in Eastern Europe*. But, the encyclopedia adds, 60 percent of the 1934 immigrants left that same year, and Jews continued to flock away from the would-be agricultural Jewish utopia, including a recent emigration in 1989-1991.

Today, Birobidzhan has a population of about 76,000 people, 2,000 of them Jews, according to Eli Riss, a Chabad rabbi who leads Birobidzhan's Jewish community. In an email, Riss said he believes the Jewish community actually numbers a good deal more than the official statistic of 2,000: between 4,000 and 5,000 people.

Beyond trying to attract constituents via lottery posters in the 1920s and 1930s, the J.A.R. administration published smiling photos of Birobidzhan Jews holding Yiddish newspapers, carrying sacks on their shoulders — with bulging muscles, of course — and playing mandolins, accordions, and guitars. The experiment also fascinated some Jewish immigrants, who came to the J.A.R. from Lithuania, Argentina, and the United States.

"Like many early Zionist pioneers in Palestine, the foreign Jews who settled in the J.A.R. were attracted by the mystique of tilling the land and engaging in physical labor," writes Robert Weinberg in *Stalin's Forgotten Zion*.

"And yet they chose not to go to Palestine and responded to the propaganda campaigns of pro-Soviet organizations by moving to the J.A.R., even if not always permanently," he says.

Among the cheerleaders from afar were a group of 14 Jewish Chicago artists, who created a series of woodcuts titled the "Birobidjan Folio," which they sent to the J.A.R. And, in 1944, Marc Chagall illustrated a wedding scene in Birobidjan, which he based on a poem by Itzik Feffer. The works of the former group is part of the current exhibit "The Left Front: Radical Art in the "Red Decade," 1929-1940" on view through June 22, 2014, at Northwestern University's Mary & Leigh Block Museum of Art in Evanston, Ill.

In addition to the 14 Jewish artists of the Birobidjan Folio — Alex Topchevsky, William Jacobs, Aaron Bohrod, David Bekker, Louis Weiner, Mitchell Siporin, Edward Millman, Fritzi Brod, Bernece Berkman, Moris Topchevsky, Abraham Weiner, Raymond Katz, Todros Geller, Ceil Rosenberg — there's more than another minyan of Jewish artists in the Northwestern exhibit (and a companion show). The latter include: Seymour Rosofsky, Leon Golub, Nancy Spero, Isaac Friedlander, Hyman Katz, Hugo Gellert, Boris Gorelick, William Gropper, Louis Lozowick, Harry Gottlieb, Riva Helfond, Harry Sternberg, Raphael Soyer, and Bernarda Bryson Shahn, daughter of Ben Shahn.

The title page of the Birobidjan Folio — a red/orange and white woodcut — which some attribute to Geller, states in Yiddish and Hebrew, "A Gift to Biro-Bijan." In the rest of the folio, some of the works touch on Jewish themes.

Alex Topchevsky's "Exodus from Germany" depicts a mass of Jews carrying bundles and pitchforks fleeing (stage left) from a swastika in the top right corner of the woodcut. The orientation of the work, coupled with the little bits of the exodus' atmospheric setting that Topchevsky renders, vaguely suggests the Exodus from Egyptian persecution and the splitting of the Red Sea.

A wandering Jew may appear (shouldering a heavy sack and wearing a cap) in Aaron Bohrod's "West Side," and Abraham Weiner's "Milk and Honey," which is a reimagination of Grant Wood's well-known painting "American Gothic," references the biblical description of Israel as being a land flowing with milk

and honey.



'Milk and Honey,' Abraham S. Weiner, 1937 (courtesy)

An essay in the exhibition handout by Sarah Sherman focuses on the image's "reclamation of Wood's original intent on the part of the woman figure," who is endowed "with a power beyond that of the gray-haired male figure," but Sherman's reading of the Weiner's image featuring a woman whose "breasts are proudly emphasized" seems to be making mountains out of molehills; there is, after all, a neckline on the woman's top.



'Moses and the Burning Bush,' Raymond Katz, 1937 (courtesy)

Two other works in the portfolio — Raymond Katz's "Moses and the Burning Bush" and Geller's "Raisins and Almonds" — also address Jewish themes. The latter, as Nathan Harpaz, manager and curator of Oakton Community College's Koehnline Museum of Art, features a goat — which, in Eastern Europe, was "an important staple of Jewish life, believed to be endowed with mystical qualities" — and the work's title references a 1980 Yiddish poem by Abraham Goldfaden, which was part of his play "Shulamith." The poem reads:

Under Baby's cradle in the night Stands a goat so soft and snowy white The Goat will go to the market To bring you wonderful treats He'll bring you raisins and almonds Sleep, my little one, sleep.

Sending visual depictions of raisins and almonds, milk and honey to the Jewish Autonomous Region in Birobidzhan was part of a larger emphasis on real-time politics from the two groups explored in the Northwestern exhibit: the John Reed Club and the American Artists' Congress.

"The stock market crash of 1929 and the ensuing social and economic fallout created a white-hot social crucible, forging a new generation of artists committed to revolutionary politics," writes John Murphy in the accompanying brochure. "JRC and AAC members aimed to redefine what it meant to be an American artist. They rejected the 'bourgeois' definition of an artist as a genius aloof from his or her historical moment. Instead artists collectively participated in the controversial events of the day, calling themselves 'culture workers' and 'workers with a brush.""

'The stock market crash of 1929 and the ensuing social and economic fallout created a white-hot social crucible' In so doing, the Jewish artists who created the gift for Birobidzhan neglected another Jewish homeland that was being imagined in the Middle East.

"Despite an ideological conflict with the Zionist movement, which advocated for a Jewish homeland in Palestine, American Jews founded two organizations to support the Jewish autonomy in the Soviet Union," writes Harpaz, of Oakton Community College. One of those organizations, the Association for Jewish Colonization in the Soviet Union was founded in 1926.

Nearly a century later, the Jewish homeland in Palestine undoubtedly enjoys more widespread Jewish support — ideological, financial, and otherwise — but Birobidzhan remains an important Jewish region that thrives both in real life, and in history books and exhibitions.

http://www.timesofisrael.com/northwestern-u-exhibit-draws-on-birobidzhan-propaganda/#ixzz346ahFCfI

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Australian Auction House Faces Controversy Over Nazi Memorabilia Jewish community leaders in Adelaide

slam auction house for selling Nazi flags and swords as 'militaria.'

By Tova Dvorin, First Publish: 6/8/2014, 9:04 AM

Australian Jewish leaders condemned the auction of over 20 items of Nazi memorabilia on Thursday, blaming an Adelaide auction house for the "irresponsible" decision to allow the sale to go through despite the items being rejected

by eBay.



auction (illustrative)

Mason Gray Strange Auction House held the sale, which included over 560 items from World Wars I and II. Nazirelated items included flags, a gas mask case, and SS swords; several of the items sold for between \$300 and \$700.

"There are various ways of looking at this," Jewish Community Council of South Australia president Norman Schueler told the *Daily Mail* Thursday. "The obvious thing - but not in this case - is that people are hoarding and keeping manifestations of an evil part of world's history."

Schueler stated that the sale supports neo-Nazism, and is a blow to Holocaust survivors worldwide.

"They [buyers] cling to it and see (Nazism) as unfinished work," he said. "'It's particularly irresponsible of the auctioneer to profit by it, especially when the world's biggest auction house, eBay, does not permit this stuff to be auctioned. That's the crux of it."

"They would not realize what it meant for someone

to see a SS or swastika, they cannot know what it means to the family," he continued.

Mason Gray Strange auctioneer Robert Hunkin insisted that the sale was not meant to cause offense, nor did any member of the Jewish community protest before the auction went up.

"I do understand the history (of the Holocaust) and am aware of it, but there was absolutely no feedback [. . .] or furor at the sale," Hunkin said. "I am very sympathetic to the Jewish community and Mason Gray Strange had no intention of offending anyone and we regret if we have."

Hunkin firmly denied that the sale meant to cater to neo-Nazis.

"'We weren't selling it to any neo-Nazis or radicals or anything like that, they were all militaria enthusiasts," he insisted. Holocaust-related and Nazi memorabilia auctions have caused considerable controversy over the past several years, sparking debates in different countries across the globe on whether or

not profiting from the sale equates profiting from genocide.

In November, auction site eBay removed Holocaust memorabilia sales from its site after an expose from the Daily Mail, but other auctions - including the sale of Adolf Hitler's furniture and a rare edition of Mein Kampf in French auction houses - have been subject to various legal battles before being cancelled or retracted.

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Jewish news outlets openly promote "anti-Semitic stereotypes"

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The organized Jewish community, led by the extremely well-funded and highly influential Anti-Defamation League, is constantly warning the world about "rising anti-Semitism", hysterically raging against and decrying the promotion of "anti-Semitic stereotypes" (no matter how factual or obviously observable those "anti-Semitic stereotypes" actually are). The ADL recently conducted a world-wide survey in an effort to gauge "anti-Semitic attitudes" on a global scale, asking participants whether or not they agreed with "an index of 11 statements that the ADL believes suggest anti-Jewish bias," according to the Jewish Telegraph Agency. The 11 statements were:

Jews talk too much about what happened to them during the Holocaust; Jews are more loyal to Israel than to the countries they live in; Jews think they are better than other people; Jews have too much power in international financial markets; Jews have too much power in the business world; Jews have too much control over global affairs; people hate Jews because of the way Jews behave; Jews have too much control over the U.S. government; Jews have too much control over global media; Jews are responsible for most of the world's wars; Jews don't care about what happens to anyone but their own kind.

I wrote about the ADL survey a few weeks ago, highlighting the fact that all 11 statements used by the ADL to gauge "anti-Semitic attitudes" are indeed **demonstrably** true. Ironically, Jewish news outlets themselves often openly

admit and promote "anti-Semitic stereotypes", and Jewish writers, authors, journalists, and activists regularly expose the true nature of organized Jewry, its immense influence in the Western world, and its over all agenda.

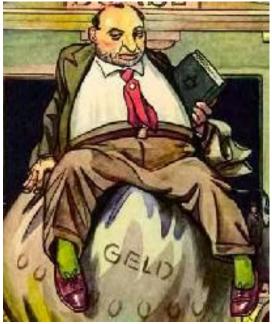
For example, *The Jewish Daily Forward* recently published an article praising Stanley Fischer, the newly appointed vice chairman of the Federal Reserve System, who is also an Israeli-America dual citizen. Jewish control and influence over international banking and the Federal Reserve is, according to the ADL and other Jewish groups, an "anti-Semitic stereotype". Yet Jewish news outlets openly report on these facts. Here is the promotional snippet of *The Forward's* biographical article highlighting Stanley Fischer which appeared in my email inbox:



Banker of the World

Stanley Fischer was raised in southern Africa and once led Israel's central bank. Now he is joining Janet Yellen at the Federal Reserve.

The Forward openly indicates or implies that Fischer, a Jewish man with deep ties to the Jewish state of Israel, is the **"banker of the world,"** invoking an age old Jewish stereotype of Jewish control over global finance and banking.



An editorial recently appearing in *The Forward* promoted yet another "anti-Semitic stereotype" - the tremendous Jewish influence and control over the American government and political process. Entitled Big (Jewish) Money Can't Buy Our Votes - So Far, the editorial reads in part:

Big (Jewish) Money Can't Buy Our Votes — So Far

Editorial



A new book details how a handful of extraordinarily wealthy Americans are manipulating our political system, and how a few Jews play an outsized role in the narrative. [...] The Jewish names in this elite group span the political spectrum, from an outspoken liberal like George Soros to an Obama Democrat like Jeffrey Katzenberg, to the more libertarian Paul Singer, and then to the man who started it all, Sheldon Adelson, whose quixotic and expensive attempt to promote Newt Gingrich in the 2012 GOP primary heralded the beginning of the Big Money wave. [...]

Will the ADL be exposing and denouncing **The Forward** for their promotion of "anti-Semitic stereotypes," despite the fact that they are factually and obviously true?

The Forward articles were published shortly after The Jerusalem Post released an article highlighting, in The Post's view, the "top 50 Most influential Jews of 2014", which Dr. David Duke has correctly described as a "Who is Who out of the Protocols of Zion." The Post, easily one of the most popular and influential news outlets in Israel, promotes some of the most widespread and well-known "anti-Semitic stereotypes" in the article, including the fact that Jews dominate and essentially control the United States federal government and Federal Reserve banking establishment. According to The Post, the top two most influential Jews in the world today are Jack Lew, Secretary of the United States Treasury, and Janet Yellin, Chairwoman of the Federal Reserve. Lew and Yellin occupy two of the most prestigious and important positions in American politics and banking. The

Post's brief description of Treasury Secretary Jack Lew reads in part:

JACK LEW is **the most powerful Jew in the US administration**, the world's top superpower. Formerly President Barack Obama's chief of staff, his current post of secretary of the Treasury puts him in one of the key jobs in the executive cabinet: proctoring economic recovery, forecasting future debt, and managing a complex infrastructure of international sanctions. The Treasury, not the Pentagon, would be responsible for the weapon of choice used by Obama against a nuclear Iran, and Lew has been central in shaping the policy.

Controlling the purse strings of the US Treasury, *Lew's* proximity to the president, the most powerful person on the planet, is indisputable. [...]

His appointment to the Treasury secretary was above else a testament to Obama's appreciation of Lew's skills, values and judgment. But it was also an opportunity for Jews in Israel and abroad to delight in the fact that a member of the tribe had climbed to such an influential position in the US.

This is especially true in the case of Lew, a man proud of his Jewish roots and unabashedly committed to his rich tradition. An Orthodox Jew who observes Shabbat, he regularly attends synagogue services. Lew's former chief on the National Security Council, Sandy Berger, once commented that "Lew's faith never got in the way of performing his duties." [...]

The Post's description of Federal Reserve Chairwoman Janet Yellin begins by stating:

JANET YELLEN made history this year when she became the first woman ever appointed chair of the US Federal Reserve. This made her one of the most influential people in the world, and arguably the most influential woman.

She was voted No. 2 on Forbes's list of The World's 100 Most Powerful Women this year.

Dominated by American Jews over the last 50 years – at least five chairmen have been practicing members of the faith – the position is now held by "one of the nation's foremost economists and policy makers," according to US President Barack Obama. [...]

The simple fact of the matter is that Jewish news outlets regularly promote "anti-Semitic stereotypes", and often boast and brag about Jewish influence and power over the Western world, as indicated in the articles cited above. There are many more examples I could cite.

For instance, <u>The Times of Israel</u>, a popular online newspaper in Israel, published an Op-Ed a couple years ago openly promoting the "anti-Semitic canard" that Jews do in fact own and control the mass media - an obvious fact that is hysterically decried and denounced by the organized Jewish community.

Joel Stein, a Jewish journalist, published an article in the Los Angeles Times back in 2008 unabashedly announcing - even bragging - that Hollywood is entirely controlled by Jews. At the end of the article, Stein states that he does not "care if Americans think we're [Jews] running the news media, Hollywood, Wall Street or the government." Stein only cares that Jews "get to keep running them." Once again, here we have a Jew openly discussing and admitting the fact that Jews essentially dominate the West - and he's proud of that fact. As he states, his only concern is that Jews maintain and perpetuate their dominance over the American government and political system, banking establishment, and mass media.

Organized Jewry is often criticized for promoting "multiculturalism," "diversity," and massive non-White immigration into White countries in an effort to destroy traditional Western civilization, which will ultimately result in the genocide of the White race. This "anti-Semitic stereotype" was openly admitted to by a Jewish activist named Barbara Lerner Spectre:

There are countless other examples I could point to, but I think my point has been made: Jewish news outlets routinely

promote "anti-Semitic stereotypes" simply by reporting factual information about the nature of Jewish power and influence, and the overall agenda of international Jewry.

The Jews have weaponized language, using terms like "anti-Semite", "racist", "bigot", and "conspiracy theorist" in an ongoing war against the public designed to neutralize and eliminate any criticism of the organized Jewish community and its insidious agenda of world domination, which includes monopolization of all political and economic power at the

international level and the perversion and ultimate destruction of all natural racial and cultural groups. The "anti-Semitic" slander must be exposed for what it truly is - a trick used to stifle any open, honest discussion of international Jewry and its subversive, parasitic nature.

Posted by John Friend at 10:32 AM

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Shoah denying bishop's visa cancelledJUNE 5, 2014



A Holocaust denying Catholic bishop who was due to visit Australia this month has had his visa cancelled after *The AJN* alerted the government to his views.

British cleric Richard Williamson has described Jews as "enemies of Christ" and claimed there's no evidence to support the fact that six million Jews were killed during the Shoah. At most, he said, the number if Jewish victims was 200,000 to

300,000, none of whom were killed in gas chambers. Williamson, who was found guilty by a German court of inciting racial hatred, was scheduled to attend a number of services in rural Victoria later this month.

But after *The AJN* contacted the Department of Immigration and Border Protection earlier this week, a spokesperson said that the minister, Scott Morrison, was asking for "immediate advice on options available in relation to this matter".

The spokesperson has since contacted *The AJN* again to inform us that "The individual's visa has been cancelled."

http://www.jewishnews.net.au/shoah-denying-bishops-visa-cancelled/35549

'Nietzsche Club' Banned From Holding Meetings On British University Campus

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The University College London's student union has banned The Nietzsche Club from holding meeting on campus because they feared discussions about rightwing philosophers could encourage fascism, *The Daily Beast* reported.

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(Photo : Wiki Commons) The University College London's student union has banned The Nietzsche Club from holding meeting on campus because they feared discussions about right-wing philosophers could encourage fascism, The Daily Beast reported.

The student organization was barred from holding public meetings after a series of posters advertising the group and discussions of the philosophers Friedrich Nietzsche, Martin Heidegger and Julius Evola, who have been cited as inspiration for far-right politicians. One of the posters asked if there was

"too much political correctness?" And another claimed: "Equality is a false God."

"Far-right racists, sexists, and homophobes trying to organize on campus is a direct threat to the student body, and if our efforts at their disaffiliation have been at all successful in preventing them from organizing, then, yes, we are pleased," Timur Dautov, one of those who formerly proposed the ban to the students' union, told *The Daily Beast*.

Dautov said one of the names on the posters gave away the groups intentions completely.

"Julius Evola criticized fascism from the right, was a rabid anti-Semite, and wrote of the superior 'Nordic race,'" Dautov said. "It is like starting a society to study Hitler."

According to Inside Higher Ed, the motion to ban the group -- passed March 11 -- expressed that the philosophers the Nietzsche Club proposed to study were "on the extreme-right, racist, sexist, anti-immigrant, homophobic, anti-Marxist, anti-worker and have had connections, direct or indirect, with Italian fascism and German Nazism."

Tom Slater, "whose "Free Speech Now!" Campaign

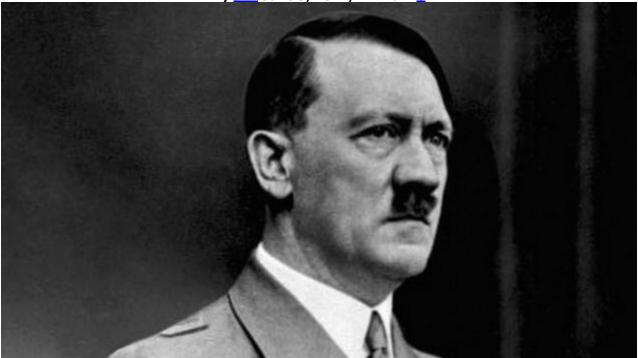
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calls for open dialogue on campuses," told *The Daily Beast*that the student organization had joined an absurd list of people, objects and pop songs banned from colleges.

"In the [United Kingdom] over the past year alone, we've seen everything from Robin Thicke's 'Blurred Lines' to tabloid newspapers like The Sun and The Daily Star banned by scores of student unions on just as tenuous grounds," he said. "Not only does this censorship undermine the very ideal of a university as a place where even the most abhorrent ideas are aired and contested, but it projects a lowly view of students. A student union official told *The Daily Beast* Wednesday that the ban has been temporarily suspended pending legal review. http://www.universityherald.com/articles/9804/2014 0606/nietzsche-club-banned-from-holding-meetings-

Complaints about Hitler video led to firing, Jewish banker claims Former BNP employee seeking \$40 million in monetary, punitive damages for termination

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Adolf Hitler - photo credit: German Federal Archive/Wikimedia Commons

 ${\sf JTA}$ — A former executive at BNP Paribas North America Inc. filed a federal lawsuit alleging that he was fired by the bank after complaining about a training video that featured Nazi imagery.

Jean-Marc Orlando said in the suit filed Friday in Manhattan US District Court that he was terminated as managing director in the bank's fixed-income division in New York after complaining about the video portraying the head of a competing bank as Hitler, Reuters reported. Orlando, who was fired in 2012, had worked for the bank for 18 years, including in France.

He is seeking \$40 million in monetary and punitive damages, according to Reuters.

Orlando, who is Orthodox Jewish, in the suit said the video was his "worst nightmare," Reuters reported. He and other

managers watched the video at a training meeting in Amsterdam in 2011.

According to the lawsuit, the video created by BNP employees parodied the 2004 film "Downfall," which depicted the final days of Adolf Hitler's Nazi regime.

Following his complaints about the video, the bank gave him an "unusually and suspiciously poor performance evaluation," the suit alleged.

A BNP spokeswoman in New York told Reuters that she had not seen a copy of the complaint and that the bank does not comment on pending litigation.

http://www.timesofisrael.com/complaints-about-hitler-video-led-to-firing-jewish-banker-claims/

Palestinians summon Australia diplomat over Jerusalem status After Canberra announces it will drop 'occupied' designation, Ramallah demands formal explanation

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Palestinain Authority Foreign Minister Riyad Al-Malki, March 22, 2011. – screen capture: Youtube/PeresCenter The Palestinian Authority's foreign ministry on Sunday summoned Australia's diplomatic representative after a top Australian judicial official said Canberra would no longer refer to annexed East Jerusalem as "occupied."

Last week, Australian attorney general George Brandis sparked Palestinian fury by saying Canberra would not use such "judgmental language" to describe an area that was the subject of negotiations.

Israel hailed the remarks as "refreshing," but the Palestinian leadership denounced them as "disgraceful and shocking," with the ministry making a formal diplomatic protest on Sunday.

"The Palestinian foreign ministry summoned the Australian representative Thomas Wilson over the recent comments by the Australian attorney general asking to stop referring to East Jerusalem as occupied territories," a ministry statement said.

Speaking to reporters in the West Bank city of Ramallah, foreign minister Riyad al-Malki said he was "worried" about the remarks, which contravened the position of the international community.

He demanded that Canberra "give an official clarification of its position on east Jerusalem in the next few days."

Describing it as a "radical change in the Australian position on Palestine," Malki said the shift was made clear in a January interview with an Israeli website given by Foreign Minister Julie Bishop in which she questioned whether Jewish settlements built on Palestinian land were illegal.

Israel conquered Jerusalem's Old City and eastern half during the 1967 Six-Day War and later annexed it in the 1980s. The annexation was not recognized by the international community.

The Palestinians claim Arab East Jerusalem as the capital of their future state

Much of the international community views Israeli housing construction on land seized in 1967, including the West Bank, as a major obstacle to a negotiated peace agreement.

"Palestine is a state and its capital is under occupation, something that the United Nations and all its bodies are agreed on," Malki said, in an apparent reference to the November 2012 admission of the "State of Palestine" as an observer member of the UN General Assembly.

Times of Israel staff contributed to this report.

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Jean-Marie Le Pen slammed for pun with Holocaust overtones Founder of France's National Front party, which topped polls in European elections, called for putting French Jewish singer 'in oven'

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Jean-Marie Le Pen in May 2011. Photo credit: Jean-Marie Le Pen image via Shuttershock

An apparent anti-Semitic pun by former far-right French leader Jean-Marie Le Pen has spurred calls for his prosecution.

Le Pen, the founder of the National Front party and currently a legislator, said in a video posted on the party website that "next time we will put him in an oven" when asked about French singer Patrick Bruel's criticisms of the party. Bruel is Jewish.

On Sunday, Le Pen denied any racist overtones in the remarks, which were removed from the website over the weekend, though he reportedly has used similar wordplay in the past.

SOS Racisme said it would file a complaint "in the coming days" against Le Pen, according to the French news agency AFP. The Movement Against Racism and for Friendship Between Peoples reportedly also said it will lodge a complaint and called Le Pen "an authentic anti-Semite," according to

Le Pen, whose daughter Marine now heads the party, has a history of convictions for "inciting racial hatred" and Holocaust denial. He once described the gas chambers in Nazi death camps as a historical "detail."

Marine has sought to rid the party of its reputation for racism and anti-Semitism in recent years, and members were quick to distance themselves from the founder's comment.

The party's vice president Louis Aliot, who is also Marine's boyfriend, criticized it as "a bad phrase. It is politically stupid and dismaying."

Another party lawmaker, Gilbert Collard, said it was time for the party founder to "take his retirement".

But the 85-year-old Le Pen reacted by saying: "If there are people in my camp that have interpreted it in this way, they are nothing but imbeciles."

He denied any anti-Semitic overtones in the remark.

"The word 'fournee' that I used obviously has no anti-Semitic connotation, except for political enemies or idiots," he said.

His daughter gave a guarded response saying that her father had made a "political error" but that the "meaning given to his comments is a malicious interpretation."

On Sunday, European Jewish Congress President Moshe Kantor called on the European Union to strip Le Pen of his parliamentary immunity and for French authorities to charge him with incitement.

"Le Pen has unmasked the true face of the far-Right of Europe days after their electoral successes in the European Parliament," Kantor said in a statement. "While some have tried to whitewash and mainstream these parties, Le Pen's comments demonstrate that they still stand on foundations of hatred, anti-Semitism and xenophobia.

"It is time for the European Union and European nations to raise the bar to what constitutes acceptable speech by anyone, member of parliament or not," he said.

Le Pen, who has had multiple convictions for inciting racial hatred and denying crimes against humanity, once described Nazi gas chambers as a "detail" of history.

Le Pen has used similar wordplay in the past to make light of gas chambers used by the Nazis in World War II. In 1988, he referred to a Jewish minister named Michel Durafour as "Durafour-crematoire". In French, the word "four-crematoire" means crematorium.

The National Front triumphed in European Parliament elections last month, winning 25 percent of the vote.

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Back with a Bangla: "Zionist Filth" vs a Tower of Power

Tobias Langdon on June 8, 2014

Peter Golds is a Conservative politician in London. He's also Deputies, you would expect him to be delighted with the racial gay and Jewish. So, given the positions of the Board of and religious vibrancy in the borough of Tower Hamlets.

Thanks to mass immigration, White Christians are no longer dominant there and have lost the power to persecute and oppress Jews and gays.

But alas, Mr Golds is not delighted at the fruits of vibrancy. A Bangladeshi Muslim called <u>Lutfur Rahman</u> has just won a second term as mayor of Tower Hamlets. Has he turned the borough into a shining beacon of tolerance, equality and Islamic probity? Sadly, it doesn't seem so:

December 2010-February 2011: At council meetings, <u>Shiraj Haque</u> and a crowd of other Lutfur supporters shout <u>homophobic abuse</u> at the mayor's opponents from the public gallery. They abuse Peter Golds, the Tory leader, as "Mrs Golds" and a "poofter" [= "faggot"]. They heckle another gay councillor, Labour's Josh Peck, and a gay local resident speaking at the meeting with animal noises and cries of "Unnatural acts! Unnatural acts!"

January 27, 2011: An official Labour Party inquiry finds a "concerted effort" to add fake members to the party during the campaign to select Labour's candidate for the Tower Hamlets mayoralty.

February 23: Lutfur's voting bloc on the council passes a motion to "campaign against the pariah state of Israel."

March 8: Lutfur gives a character reference on Town Hall notepaper for Zamal Uddin, a minicab driver who had six weeks earlier pleaded guilty to a serious sexual assault on a woman passenger. When the press finds out, he claims that he did not know the nature of Uddin's crime before agreeing to provide the reference.

March: Shiraj Haque is appointed chair of the advisory board for a major council-subsidised festival, the Baishakhi Mela. The council had previously removed him from all involvement with the festival and severed relations after allegations, which he denies, of massive financial irregularities and immigration fraud, with the Mela used as a front to bring in illegal immigrants under the guise of performers. (Lutfur Rahman: some facts the Guardian forgot to mention, The Daily Telegraph, 27th January 2013)



Back with a Bangla: Lutfur Rahman - centre

As Francis Carr Begbie has pointed out on *TOO*, modern Britain faces a baffling question: Why are Muslims <u>behaving</u> like Muslims? Peter Golds has said that Tower Hamlets is a stage for "third-world village politics" (see <u>here</u>). Mary Dejevsky, a journalist at *The Independent*, thinks that the recent elections there reflect the "worst of Bangladesh," not the "best of British" (see <u>here</u>).

So Britain imports people from villages in the Third World and guess what? We get "third-world village politics." Baffling. Britain allows mass immigration from Bangladesh and guess what? We get the "worst of Bangladesh," not the "best of British." Baffling again. But another apparent mystery — no action by the authorities — is easy to explain:

As councillors at the scrutiny hearing said, this spending was "not benefiting the borough as a whole" but "being directed to certain areas where the mayor had the majority of his voter base". The council refused to answer questions from *The Sunday Telegraph* about the grants, merely saying that it had "followed the relevant laws, guidance and policies". ...

Mr Golds said: "I think we know what the perceived community benefits in these cases are: the re-election of Lutfur Rahman. This council is out of control and its behaviour smacks of the days of Dame Shirley Porter." John Biggs, Mr Rahman's Labour opponent for the mayoralty, said: "It looks as if Lutfur Rahman is trying to use taxpayers' money to buy votes."

Dame Shirley, the gerrymanderer of the Westminster "homes for votes" scandal in the late Eighties and early Nineties, was eventually disqualified, humiliated and forced into exile – but don't expect anything to happen to Lutfur Rahman any time soon. Terrified of being accused of racism, the authorities appear content to let Tower Hamlets stew in its own juice. (Borough of Tower Hamlets: a byword for sleaze, The Daily Telegraph, 18th January 2014)



Dame Shirley Porter in pre-aliyah days

So is Lutfur Rahman following in the footsteps of a corrupt British politician? Not quite: Dame <u>Shirley Porter</u> went into exile in Israel. That's quite a coincidence: two hugely corrupt administrations led by two minority politicians. It's almost as though minorities don't shower blessings on British Whites after all.

In fact, I'd go further: I think the destruction of Tower Hamlets is the result of a terrible pathology. An advanced White civilization has opened its borders to corrupt and violent non-Whites from the Third World. These non-Whites are of low average intelligence and have no history of economic success, intellectual achievement, or participation in a high-trust society. But they're encouraged to blame all their failures in Britain on the racism and prejudice of Whites. They are also subsidized to reproduce at rates far above their White hosts.

Those are deeply unnatural acts. And they've been repeated right across the West. Whites have allowed non-Whites to immigrate and reproduce at startling rates, then blamed themselves for all failure by the non-Whites. There's only one word for behaviour like that: pathological. A healthy, self-confident civilization doesn't turn on itself like that. Would China allow mass immigration by Pakistanis and Somalis and then blame itself when the vibrant incomers began committing crimes and taking over Chinese politics? No, not in a million years.

But that's what the West has done. And if Peter Golds wants to apportion blame for the destruction of Tower Hamlets, perhaps he should look first at his own folk: Jews in Britain have strongly supported both mass immigration and the crushing of free speech about its consequences. But the vibrant incomers

do not appear to be grateful for the hospitality Jews have extended at the expense of the White British:

Lutfur Rahman sees himself as the victim both of a relentlessly hostile media and his former party, Labour, which dumped him as its mayoral candidate in 2010. ... One thing is clear, though: the Mayor is not a racist. "I grew up with black kids and white kids," he sobbed. "I grew up with Jewish kids, Christian kids, people of no faith." Yet while Mr Rahman can't take it when he's accused of racism, some of his supporters seem happy to dish it out.



Peter Golds, gay Jewish Islamophobe

Here, for example, are comments from one supporter's Facebook page, adorned with pictures of the Mayor: "Zionists are the root cause of all the evil on this planet right now Zionists are filthy animals with total depravity of any form of decent humanity. Behaviour of those who are descendants of Pigs and Monkeys (Zionist). Zionist filth!" (Divide and rule: How race politics has poisoned Tower Hamlets, The Independent, 30th May 2014)

Britain is following France, where Jews have welcomed Muslims in and Muslims have responded with hatred and murder (see here and here). If Britain and France were genuine democracies, none of this would have happened, because the White majority have always opposed mass immigration from the Third World. We were right to do so. The hostile elite were wrong. Diversity is turning into a disaster. If you need proof, just take a tour of Tower Hamlets.

Appendix: A Lot More Lutfur

*Lutfur Rahman: some facts the Guardian forgot to mention
March 1 2010:

The Telegraph and Channel 4's Dispatches reveal that Lutfur, then the Labour council leader, achieved the position with the help of the Islamic Forum of Europe, based at the East London Mosque, which works to create a sharia state and an "Islamic social, economic and political order" in Britain. In a filmed interview, he refuses to deny the charge. Under Lutfur, large sums of council money are diverted to IFE front organisations, a man with close links to the IFE is made the council's assistant chief executive despite being unqualified for the job, and the respected white chief executive is summarily sacked. In undercover filming, senior IFE activists boast of their "consolidated... influence and power" over the council. The local Labour MP, Jim Fitzpatrick, tells us that his party has been "infiltrated" by the IFE.

*Borough of Tower Hamlets: a byword for sleaze

More than 60 per cent of the grants under the "community faith buildings" scheme have gone to Muslim organisations,

though Tower Hamlets is only 34 per cent Muslim. Even in many non-religious activities, the majority of grants for lunch clubs, children's services, study support, language classes, youth services and lifelong learning have been channelled to Muslim groups, often at the expense of established organisations serving the whole community. Thousands of pounds are also to be paid to Rahman allies to organise events and parties in the run-up to the election.

*<u>Divide</u> and rule: <u>How race politics has poisoned Tower</u> Hamlets

There is no suggestion that the Mayor is himself a fundamentalist. But he remains largely reliant on a fairly narrow and significantly faith-based core. Professor Michael Keith, former Labour leader of Tower Hamlets, says the Mayor's popularity "speaks more to the strengths of community networks, Sylheti ties [Sylhet is a region in Bangladesh] and the mobilising forces of his political machine."

There are credible reports that this political machine intimidated voters at polling stations and council staff at the count. The Electoral Commission is investigating but a Mayoral adviser warned that the civil war that started in the borough's Labour group will "spill out onto the streets" if the result is not accepted.

Alarmed at just how divisive politics in Tower Hamlets has become, Professor Keith – now Director of the Centre on Migration, Policy and Society at Oxford – fears for the future of the East End. As he says, politics there are not a pretty sight.

*Election watchdog to probe Tower Hamlets count delays

The attack on the "rotten borough" was led by Peter Golds, leader of the Conservative group at the council, who told *The Independent* that Tower Hamlets had been the stage for "third-world village politics". Mr Golds claimed he had witnessed crowds of supporters from the Tower Hamlets First party – founded by the local mayor Lutfur Rahman – shouting at voters and leaving leaflets inside polling booths, in the culmination of what he called a "vicious dirty tricks campaign". Tower Hamlets, which sits between the financial centres of the City and Canary Wharf, has been the scene of fractious election disputes since Mr Rahman swept to power in 2010 and formed a cabinet made up entirely of Bangladeshi Muslims.

*We take electoral integrity for granted

Peter Golds, leader of the Tory group, spoke of "third-world village politics". A clean election is a pre-condition for any democracy worth the name. If Tower Hamlets were a school or a hospital, it would be put into "special measures" and run from Whitehall until it shaped up. All results in Tower Hamlets should be cancelled; the electoral register verified, house by house if necessary; and the elections re-run.

If no one turns up, direct rule goes on until an election can be held that reflects the best of British rather than the worst of Bangladesh. And when, as happened this week, an ex-adviser to Lutfur Rahman, the borough's re-elected mayor, warns of riots if the results are not allowed to stand, concerns about what has been going on in Tower Hamlets are only reinforced.

*Tower Hamlets — London's rotten borough?

There were arguments, threats, and chaos at the counting tables. Tower Hamlets First supporters were challenging vote after vote, forcing supporters of other candidates away from the tables. They often made their points (excuse the pun) with pencils and pens, against ballot papers. The supreme ruler smiled, whilst checking town hall staff were not stopping his supporters from doing exactly what they wanted.

Former Cllr Mohammed Shahid Ali (defeated Mile End) was bawling in Bangla down a mobile phone at a counting table. He

was asked by a (female) officer to stop and he shouted that she (emphasise she) had no right to tell him to stop doing anything and that she (emphasise she) should go away. I drew this to the attention of the returning officer and Shahid Ali then needed to be restrained from attacking me.

*'Stolen election' in the heart of London

For more than four years, *The Telegraph* has been following the extraordinary career of Mr Rahman, a man thrown out of the Labour Party after this newspaper exposed his close links to a Muslim extremist group, the Islamic Forum of Europe.

Yet Mr Rahman has gone on to win two mayoral elections as an independent, his latest, last week, even though his council is under a police investigation for corruption and a government investigation for misuse of funds. How did he manage it? Khales Uddin Ahmed, another Labour councillor, claims he knows part of the answer. "There are so many fake voters," he says. "I keep finding houses where there are people registered for postal votes who do not live there." ...

Helal Rahman, a businessman and former Labour councillor in Spitalfields, says that "several hundred postal votes" in that one ward alone were cast on May 22 by people "who used to live here but have moved out to the suburbs. They rent their properties to eastern Europeans but keep their electoral registrations and convert their votes to postal," he says. This is, of course, illegal.

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Israel's exceptionalism – guidelines are changed just for them! Israel signs key European scientific funding deal

Horizon 2020 opens up access to €80 billion in grants for research and innovation projects

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Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu (C-R) and Science, Technology and Space Minister, Yaakov Peri (R), seen in a meeting with President of the European Commission, Jose Manuel Barroso (C-L), signing an agreement for Israel to participate in the European Horizon 2020 program, Jerusalem on June 8, 2014. (photo credit: Marc Israel Sellem/POOL/Flash90)

Israel signed an agreement with the European Union on Sunday that opens the way for billions of dollars in funding for scientific research and innovation.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso attended the ceremony in Jerusalem where EU Ambassador to Israel Lars Faaborg-Andersen and Israel's Science, Technology and Space Minister Yaakov Peri signed the Horizon 2020 deal.

"This is proof of the power of Israeli science and its importance to the future of the State of Israel," Peri said. "Our joining the program is significant news for Israeli science and will bring stronger scientific connections with Europe and to hundreds of generous research grants for researchers in Israel."

Horizon 2020 is one of the largest scientific and industrial cooperation programs in the world with nearly \in 80 billion (\$

109 billion) available in funding and grants for research and development.

Israel's participation in the program was threatened by <u>EU guidelines</u> published last year that denied any kind of financial support for Israeli projects based outside the country's internationally recognized borders — effectively excluding institutions and organizations in the West Bank and East Jerusalem from funding. Jerusalem feared that signing on to the Horizon 2020 cooperation agreement would be akin to an admission that territories beyond the Green Line were not part of the State of Israel.

In November 2013, Justice Minister Tzipi Livni finally hammered out an agreement with EU officials enabling both sides to maintain their positions but still work together. According to a Channel 2 report at the time, Israel added a clause stating that it does not accept the EU's definition of territory beyond the 1967 lines.

Published in July, the EU guidelines mandated a denial of European funding to, and cooperation with, Israeli institutions based or operating over the Green Line, and a requirement that all future agreements between Israel and the EU include a clause in which Israel accepts the position that none of the territory over the Green Line belongs to Israel.

Jerusalem rejected the territorial clause and proposed an amended version of the guidelines that accepts the EU's position on ineligibility of funding for settlements but would prevent Israel from explicitly endorsing such a standpoint, Israeli diplomatic sources told The Times of Israel at the time. Horizon 2020 covers the period from 2014-2020 and will see Israel contribute €140 million (\$191 million) per year with an expected relative return of 60%. In a previous, similar plan that ended last year, Israel contributed €535 million while receiving €840 million (\$1.1 billion) in grants for some 1,197 projects, most of which were university scientific research.

http://www.timesofisrael.com/israel-signs-keyeuropean-scientific-funding-deal/

Missing Malaysia Airlines flight:

Oil rig worker Mike McKay loses job after MH370 'fire in the sky' report

Steve Lillebuen, June 9, 2014 - 6:40AM

Reports from an oil rig worker who saw a fire in the sky on the night Malaysia Airlines flight 370 disappeared are being taken seriously, police sources have confirmed.

But New Zealander Mike McKay, 55, has lost his job in the "circus" that developed after his report to authorities was leaked.

Mr McKay had been working on the Songa Mercur oil rig in the South China Sea when he saw an "orange light" on an especially clear night.



The search for flight MH370 continues. *Photo:* Indonesian Air Force

The object was still in one piece and close to where MH370 first dropped off radar between Malaysia and Vietnam on March 8 with 239 people on board.

He emailed his employer and Vietnamese authorities about his sighting, but his statement was leaked, which included his full name, email, passport number, and full details of the company operating the rig.

In the ensuing media storm, Mr McKay said the Japanese-based petroleum company, Idemitsu, was flooded with emails and he was taken off the rig.

He is now unemployed and disappointed his efforts at reporting potentially vital information turned into such a circus.

"I was only trying to privately help," he told Fairfax Media during a series of interviews.

"If it was the aeroplane I saw, then it must have been an external fire. How far would an aeroplane stay in the air after such a fire?"

Mr McKay has worked in oil and gas exploration for more than 30 years, mostly in Southeast Asia, but returned to his native New Zealand while waiting for more work.

His initial statement described what he believed to be an aircraft on fire at a high altitude. The fire burned itself out in about 10 to 15 seconds and he gave an exact location based on his position on the oil rig platform.

"There was no lateral movement, so it was either coming toward our location, stationary (falling) or going away from our location," he wrote.

His sighting, however, appeared to be quickly discounted as one of the many hoaxes and false leads which have hampered the three-month international search effort.

Mr McKay's reluctance to go public, and his complete lack of an internet presence, also raised doubts about the credibility of the report, which began on social media and gained traction largely through MH370 conspiracy theory websites.

But Fairfax Media tracked down the oil industry worker and confirmed with two police sources that he is being treated as a truthful and credible witness.

He was interviewed at length about his sighting at a police station near Auckland and his statement has since been forwarded to Malaysian authorities.

"What he's told you is effectively what he's told us," said a senior investigator involved in the case.

Mr McKay's witness statement comes after a British sailor also reported seeing a burning object in the sky.

Katherine Tee, 41, was sailing from India to Thailand in early March when she spotted a plane surrounded by bright orange lights with a tail of black smoke.

The two sightings, however, are hundreds of kilometres apart. Investigators have also moved on from searching the South China Sea and still believe MH370 went down somewhere in the Southern Indian Ocean.

While several underwater acoustic signals or "pings" have been ruled out as coming from the aircraft's black boxes, satellite data still places it somewhere on a long arc in the large, southern search area.

Mr McKay said he hopes the plane is found in the Indian Ocean but he can't explain how his sighting may fit in with what is known so far.

"There are unanswered questions every step of the way," he said. "I have no answers."

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MH370: families raise reward money

Families of passengers onboard the ill-fated Malaysia Airlines flight MH370 launch a campaign to raise money as reward for information about the missing aircraft. *Nine News*.

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Turnbull v Bolt and Jones. Not much to see here... yet



Amanda Vanstone,

Former Howard government minister, June 8, 2014

The Howard-Peacock years provided me with a lot of experience in leadership contests in the Liberal Party. That experience may give some insight into the recent brouhaha that started between Andrew Bolt and Malcolm Turnbull. I think it is much ado about nothing, except perhaps an idiot. The most important thing to remember about Liberal leadership contests is that they are decided by the

parliamentary party. As they used to be in the ALP. That

means it matters very very little what opinion polls say, what you and I say, and what various journalists pronounce.

Every party has a larger number than you might think of people, mostly men, who if the circumstances arose would consider running for leader. Tony Abbott and Bill Shorten both know there are a number of people ready to take over if the opportunity presents itself. They know it from their own experience. To say that Turnbull would be in that group takes no insight whatsoever. It states what is obvious to everyone.

Even male and occasionally female senators contemplate a move to the lower house so that the rest of us can be blessed with their often well disguised insight, vision and strength. Let me not embarrass them by listing those MPs in the Liberal Party, and for that matter in the ALP, who think they would be great leaders.

The mistake they often make is to judge the leader by the less spectacular performances and conclude that they could do better. They often fail to judge their own capacity against the high points of a leader's contribution.



'Politics is a team game. If you accuse someone of not being a team player, they have to respond.' *Photo: Nic Walker*

In any event, leaders do not get tossed until marginal-seat members get scared they are going to lose. Perhaps I should say really scared, because marginal-seat MPs live in constant fear. Until they feel more or less doomed, nothing happens.

I hope all we have seen over the past few days is nothing more than a few media commentators beating up on Turnbull. Let's not pretend that media personalities including Andrew Bolt and Alan Jones are indifferent to and unaware of their own media profiles. Running a leadership story fits the colour/conflict/controversy trilogy just so sweetly. It is guaranteed to "get a run".

Politics is a team game. If you accuse someone of not being a team player, they have to respond. To suggest that any cabinet member accused of not being a team player should just ignore it or give a sotto voce denial is, frankly, laughable. You know that by making the allegation you will definitely get a reply and your story will be prominent.

If a minister is accused of not trying to sell the budget when the PM's office has been instrumental in blocking them from media opportunities to do just that, they are entitled to defend themselves.

The famous former mayor of New York, Ed Koch, had what he called an inviolate rule. "You punch me, I punch you back. I do not believe it is good for one's self respect to be a punching bag." He rightly believed that a politician just could not let people take cheap shots and get away with it. My mum used to say something similar: "Look like a door mat, behave like a door mat, expect to get trodden on."

The really interesting question here is not whether you think Turnbull's response was correctly calibrated but rather how the story got legs in the first place.

If Turnbull hadn't gone to the Friends of the ABC function, he could have been accused of indifference to the national broadcaster, a key organisation in his portfolio. Having dinner with Clive Palmer seems no big deal. As a former Senate minister I can assure you the better lower house ministers did keep in touch with the cross-benchers, who in my time were in the Senate. How anybody can add these two events together and call it leadership destabilisation is lost on me. Nonetheless, that's what happened.

Did Bolt come to a conclusion I do not share all alone? Maybe. That's the best interpretation for the Liberal Party.

How else could the story get legs? Well, what about the others who have a leadership baton in their knapsack "just in case the need arises"? Might one of them have fuelled the fire to damage a potential rival? Maybe, but I think not. The cabinet ministers seem committed to working together. Labor might wish they were that stupid, but they are not.

What about Abbott or his office? Well, I certainly hope not. That would reveal a worrying lack of confidence and an appalling lack of judgment. I don't think Abbott lacks confidence and I am sure he is way too smart to fuel a leadership story as some odd way of shoring up his own.

Abbott watched John Howard closely and would have seen what Howard did with the man from whom he took over, Alexander Downer. Howard kept him close, used him as a confidant instead of pushing him to the outer where he might have been free to feel undervalued and rejected. In 1997, Howard's "annus horribilis", Downer, in other circumstances, might have been a problem but Howard had him firmly in the tent. It worked for both of them.

There's another option. Could some right-winger with less political skill than they realise have thought that by stirring this up they would be doing Abbott a favour? Sadly yes. That it has turned out to be quite the reverse confirms the idiocy.

If at some future date things go badly pear-shaped for Abbott, the Liberal party room alone will decide what to do. Friendships, ideological and policy differences will go out the window. If it is a choice between winning and maybe losing, winning will win every time. When Julia Gillard's polling hit bottom and stayed there, I said Labor would change leader again. Many commentators thought that impossible and said Labor would never go back to Kevin Rudd. They perhaps had not sat in party rooms next to marginal-seat members who don't want their kids to be laughed at in the playground when they lose their seat.

The will to survive is extraordinarily strong. It's the capacity to deliver victory that is the key to it all.

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I confront Tony Abbott and give it to him

Brian Concannon, Published on Feb 16, 2013

I ran into Tony leaving Parliament House and I thought I would give him a piece of my mind while we still have some freedom of speech in this country, while following him down the street. I said a few good things, a couple of stupid things and forgot to say a load of things and I didn't lower myself to Tony's foul mouthed comrade.

I did the same thing to Johnny Howard a couple of years ago, when I saw him walking down Martin Place. and gave him a bit more than Tony, while some big Polish looking bloke continually got between us. Unfortunately I didn't film it. Anyway I got arrested for it and police held me for about 50 minutes, while they sorted out 5 witness statements and finally contacted Johnny in the MLC Building, to see if he wanted to press charges against me. He didn't bother, I was given a ticket for disturbance or something, which was never followed up on and I was given a move on direction to immediately get out of the city or be arrested. Just like Tony, little Johnny didn't say a word, he only looked me in the eye once and looked upset after relentlessly calling him a liar, Zionist puppet, war criminal and saying "shame". Again there was so many things I forgot to say. I am bloody hopeless and my spur of the moment memory is shite.

So now fast forward, Tony Abbott is our Prime Minister, after the most corrupt Murdoch engineered election campaign I can remember. Now he has been in power for a few months he has shown himself to be a shocker with his total lack of transparency and accountability, He is Murdochs puppet and owes him big time and seems to have adopted his smug above the law attitude, treating all Australians with utter contempt (except Gina and the elite billionaires who control him now).

We are being treated like complete mugs the way he is breaking most of his election promises, showing us he blatantly lied saying anything he had to that would help him get into power and all along planned to break his election commitments down the track. Actions of a common thief - Shame - Now he is attacking our ABC, Medicare, our unions,

he is supporting foreign corporations over Australian businesses, he brought in the South Korean free trade agreement, that was quickly jumped on by Holden to relocate there for the cheaper labour costs and greater profits. How many more jobs will be lost by other businesses following suit wanting to increase there profits. The only way Australia can compete is by dramatically reducing our wages and conditions. Is that what it is all about, maybe - Third world wages and conditions here we come. I am worried with Abbotts reckless shameful track record already in a brief amount of time I feel maybe I had better watch out for myself because he might consider me an enemy of the state ? after all considers our ABC to be hostile because they are doing a good job of journalism, like they should be exposing the truth and matters that are embarrassing to the LNP. Tony expects our ABC to function like the Murdoch press, with cover ups and perform sub standard journalism to help out the LNP home team .Australians right to know doesn't come into the equation because he seemingly has no respect for us. Is Tony Abbott a want to be totalitarian dictator who thinks it's his right now he has the top job to be totally unaccountable. Abbott, Morrison, Pyne, Robb, .. sure seems to be acting that way. WTF what the hell is going on here in Australia - I am very worried for our country.

Now the Libs want to bring in the TPP (Trans Pacific Partnership) which will sell out the rights of the individual and Australia's sovereignty. The TPP gives corporations, bankers ... unbridled power over our government and Australia's best interests. The TPP will be the worst thing ever introduced in Australia's history.

I want our political parties to become more moral, ethical and accountable to we the people, that they are supposed to represent. The Zionist bankers and Murdochs of this world, have fully corrupted our political and monetary system. I want

a political party that is prepared to take on the International bankers and abolish the RBA and replace it with State Banking Partnership like the model in North Dakota. If we did this, we would have a future of peace and prosperity, instead of our current RBA causing never ending Debt, that will eventually bankrupt Australia. The money changers, bankers need to be thrown out of business, for financial terrorism They want to bankrupt Australia, to force us to join their One World Government/currency NWO. That's why they want the Libs to take away the mining tax, so we have nothing in the bank, that's why they are privatising all our State owned nest eggs, so we having nothing coming in to the coffers.

I am not a racist I believe there is good and bad in every race, colour, species and profession and Cheers to all my Jewish heroes and all the good, moral and ethical Jews out there https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JDLAUmqp8f4

Melanie Phillips gets her Zionist arse kicked on Ouestion Time.



kickracistarse

Right wing nutter and *Daily Mail* hag Melanie Phillips attempts, (once again) to stir up British hatred against Iran on behalf of Israel. She calls the Question Time audience "ignorant" as they boo and jeer her lies and Israeli propaganda. She is a Zionist hag and should be charged with attempting to incite racial hatred. Israel already has thousands of American soldiers dying for its "freedom", Melanie Phillips wants British soldiers to die for Israel too.

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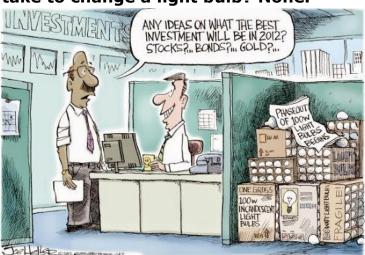




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Against





How many Virginians Does it Take to Screw-up a Light Bulb Phase-Out?

In January, Congress, through overwhelming bipartisan cooperation, approved, and President Obama signed into law, a \$1.1 trillion omnibus spending bill; a provision of which precludes the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") from spending allocated funds to enforce twilight measures of a "light bulb phase-out" mandated by the 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act ("EISA").[1]

The phase-out, which effectively began in January 2012, requires that light bulbs produce a certain level of brightness at specified energy levels.[2]

Of particular significance to the average consumer, traditional incandescent light bulbs are incapable of fulfilling the new energy efficiency standards and as of January 1, 2014 60- and 40-watt incandescent light bulbs (which represent half of the consumer light bulb market) are no longer allowed to be manufactured or imported into the U.S.[3]

Overall, the standards set forth by the EISA are predicted to result in annual electric bill savings of nearly \$13-billion, power savings equivalent to the output of 30 large power plants, and will reduce carbon dioxide emissions by about 100 million tons per year.[4]

The spending bill's ban is not particularly formidable from the perspective of many environmentalists and "pro phase-out" light bulb manufacturers who have characterized it as a nuisance that can't possibly derail the "market shift" toward more energy-efficient light bulbs.[5]

But should we be more supportive of the spending bill's ban despite the EISA's potential environmental benefits? In support of the ban, House Republicans have stated that EISA phase-out requirements are characteristic of government overreach, and enforcement measures should not be tolerated.[6]

Is there any merit to the House Republicans' argument? Is federal product regulation really the proper avenue for catalyzing change in consumer power consumption? The tension at the heart of the light bulb phase-out is representative of a fundamental issue that must be addressed in any discussion of "where" energy regulations should be focused. I tend to agree with House Republicans who are wary of the government's reach into consumer purchasing power, but perhaps end-user regulation ("downstream") is the most parsimonious way of realizing change in energy use and accompanying (upstream) emissions.

Upstream regulation is inescapably difficult. State and federal regulation of power plants and their emissions is tedious work, often drawn out interminably by litigation. But then again, why not increasingly regulate power plants themselves if we are operating under the guise that the end goal is to limit carbon emissions and power plant out-put? It's not as though the light bulbs are the source of poor energy management decisions or egregious carbon emissions. Understanding why the EISA, in

large part, came to be makes the decision to regulate downstream consumer choice even less palatable.

While the EISA does not outrightly proscribe the manufacture or importation of all incandescent light bulbs, it has the net effect of increasing market prevalence and selection of more expensive, compact fluorescent light bulbs ("CFLs") and light emitting diodes ("LEDs") which is extremely beneficial to major light bulb manufacturers.

As Timothy Carey of the Washington Examiner details, the 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act "wasn't a case of an industry getting on board with an inevitable regulation in order to tweak it. The lighting industry was the main reason the legislation was moving."[7] The light bulb industry is, by its nature, a competitive market with no significant impediments to entry. Characteristic of such competitive markets, under the neoclassical economic model, is product pricing at marginal cost - the cost of producing one additional unit of output- which results in low profit margins.[8] GE, Philips and Sylvania, which dominate the U.S. incandescent light bulb market, want to "convert their dominance into price hikes," but because market entry is not significantly encumbered by manufacturing or regulatory costs, consumers will gladly purchase new alternative brands that offer bulbs at, or close to, marginal cost.[9] Market giants, with significant capital available for research and development programs, sought to extinguish the threat of competition (which keeps profit margins low) by expending significant money to improve the incandescent light bulb, primarily through advancing halogen, LED and fluorescent technologies.[10] These "energy efficient bulbs" sell at a much higher price point compared to incandescent light bulbs, and because of this, consumer choice has remained somewhat stagnant and heavily biased toward incandescents. Light bulb manufacturers, aware that consumers won't willingly skirt cost benefit considerations in light bulb selection, have thus collaborated with groups like the NRDC in lobbying for the phase out of incandescents; their agenda being the "push" of profitable products rather than environmental conservancy.[11] Undoubtedly, there are great advantages to newer bulb technologies, as well as associated costs.[12] However, it's extremely hard to justify the handcuffing of consumer freedom of choice when it is being instituted government elites and unelected bureaucrats.[13]

All in all, it is extremely important to ask, where (or at what phase) should regulatory efforts be focused (and why)? The upstream power plants, downstream consumers, or both? Perhaps the fact that light bulb manufacturers are sustaining windfall profits from federal regulation is an inevitable consequence; in any regulatory effort there will always be a party that benefits, perhaps grossly, from regulation. It will be interesting to see what happens to the spending bill's ban in the coming months, and whether or not downstream regulation will accomplish its goals.

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http://energyblog.nationalgeographic.com/2013/12/31/u-s-phase-out-of-incandescent-light-bulbs-continues-in-2014-with-40-60-watt-varieties/.

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http://www.nrdc.org/energy/energyefficientlightbulbs/files/she

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[5] Wendy Koch, Congress to Bar Enforcement of Light-bulb Phaseout, USA TODAY, (January 14, 2014),

http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2014/01/14/coal -projects-light-bulb-rules/4476103/.

[6] Timothy P. Carney, Industry, not Environmentalists, Killed Traditional Light Bulbs, WASHINGTON EXAMINER, (January 1, 2014), http://washingtonexaminer.com/article/2541430. [Tim Carney has extensively and critically covered the issue, from an industrial political angle, as covered on this blog here before]

[7] Id.

[8] See id.

[9] See id.

[10] See id.

[11] For a comical portrayal of the "story behind the ban" (in both the U.S. and Canada) see this crude cartoon:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ta2ozf_uJJ8 (a feature from infra note 15).

["Mr Stinkypants" as also featured before here on freedomlightbulb]

[12] It's contended that new light bulb technologies are not all that "efficient" when used by the average consumer. I recommend looking at Paul Wheaton's website for a critique of the science behind the phase-out:

http://www.richsoil.com/CFL-fluorescent-light-bulbs.jsp.

[Good article, also linked here previously]

[13] See id.

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"EU Twisting Facts to fit Political Agenda"

It is only human to decide what is right or wrong - and look for facts to prove you are right.

Certainly, a case could be made that it is done here, though I would argue that any such emphasis is to balance official information in support of bans.

For example, I think fluorescent bulbs are also useful and should not be banned.

Nevertheless, the original ban on incandescents was largely defended on supposed energy saving of fluorescent bulbs, which have many disadvantages as replacements, hence the criticism, and the same can be said of LED bulbs, hence the critical reviews on this site *in being pushed as replacements*. The point therefore is that political institutions should have an open perspective from the start.

Lighting choice issues apart, ruling authorities in the USA, EU and elsewhere see usage energy saving as some Holy Grail, getting even that wrong for <u>several reasons</u>.

However, in the context here, it is also that they do not even consider factors not fitting in with their agenda, and when such factors (heat issue, full life cycle, power plant off-peak operation, environmental and health effects of replacement bulbs) are hard to measure, it provides an extra imperative to have follow up studies to see if supposed savings and usage safety were actually there.

The issue becomes particularly poignant when the institution has a monopoly of launching legislative proposals for 500 million citizens - like the European Commission in the EU - and decisions, once taken, are hard to change.

Insider or whistleblower criticism of political process gives extra credibility, as here.

Recent article May 27 2014 by $\underline{\text{Frederic Simon}}$ on $\underline{\text{EurActiv}}$ site, extracts, my emphases:

http://freedomlightbulb.blogspot.com.au/